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EDUCATION

University of California San Diego, San Diego, California Ph.D. in Linguistics	September 2020 - Present
Middle East Technical University, Ankara, Turkey M.A. in English Language Teaching	2016-2019
Middle East Technical University, Ankara, Turkey BA in English Language Teaching GPA: 3.85/4.00	2012-2016

PUBLICATIONS

Yeter, Ö., **Evcen, E.**, Rabagliati, H. & Özge, D. (2024). Understanding cognitive and language development in refugees: Evidence from displaced syrian children in Turkey. *Cognitive Development*, 69, 101412

Evcen, E. & Wittenberg, E. (2022). Making the Question Under Discussion explicit shifts counterfactual interpretation. *Proceedings of the Annual Meeting of the Cognitive Science Society*, 44.

Özge, D. & **Evcen, E.** (2020). Referential form, word order and emotional valence in Turkish pronoun resolution. In U. Özge and D. Zeyrek (eds.). *Turkish Discourse, Structure and Meaning*. Trends in Linguistics Series, De Gruyter Publishing.

PRESENTATIONS

Evcen, E. & Barner, D. (2023). Time course of conditional inferences. Poster presented at the 10th biennial meeting of Experimental Pragmatics (XPRAG), September 2023, Université Paris Cité – CNRS, Paris, France

Evcen, E. & Wittenberg, E. (2022). Negation facilitates comprehension of English counterfactuals. Poster presented at Architectures and Mechanisms for Language Processing (AMLaP 28), September, 2022, University of York, United Kingdom.

Evcen, E. & Wittenberg, E. (2022). Making the Question Under Discussion explicit shifts counterfactual interpretation. Poster presented at The 44th Annual Meeting of the Cognitive Science Society (CogSci), July, 2022, Toronto, Canada.

Evcen, E. & Özge, D. (2022). Pronoun resolution in Turkish Transfer-of-possession verbs: Evidence from comprehension and production. Talk at the 3rd Cologne Ankara Discourse Meeting (CADiM3), July 2022, University of Cologne, Cologne, Germany.

Özge, D., **Evcen, E.** & Hartshorne, J. (2022). Implicit causality biases in Turkish psychological state events. Talk at the 3rd International Conference on Prominence in Language (ICPL3), June, 2022, University of Cologne, Cologne, Germany.

Evcen, E. & Wittenberg, E. (2021). The Consideration of Alternatives During Incremental Comprehension of Counterfactuals. Poster presented at Architectures and Mechanisms for Language Processing (AMLaP 27), September, 2021, Université de Paris, France.

Özge, D., **Evcen, E.** & Hartshorne, J. (2020). Referential form, word order and emotional valence in Turkish pronoun resolution. Poster presented at the 33rd Annual CUNY Human Sentence Processing Conference (CUNY), March, 2020, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, United States

Evcen, E., Özge, U. & Özge, D. (2019). Turkish “unless” is not biconditional unless the pragmatic context allows it. Poster presented at the 8th Experimental Pragmatics Conference (XPRAG), June 2019, University of Edinburgh, Edinburgh, United Kingdom.

Özge, D., **Evcen, E.**, Kesici, A. & Köse, E. (2018). How do Turkish speakers interpret pronouns in Transfer-of-Possession contexts? Talk given at the 14th Workshop on Altaic Formal Linguistics (WAFL14), October, 2018, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA.

Özge, D., **Evcen, E.**, Kesici, A. & Köse, E. (2018). How do Turkish speakers interpret pronouns in Transfer-of-Possession contexts? Talk given at the 2nd International Conference on Prominence in Language (ICPL2), July, 2018, University of Cologne, Cologne, Germany.

RESEARCH AFFILIATION

Language and Development Lab, UC San Diego, United States September 2021 - Present
PI: David Barner, Department of Psychology

Language Comprehension Lab, Central European University, Austria September 2020 - Present
PI: Eva Wittenberg, Department of Cognitive Science

SFB 1252 Prominence in Language, Cologne, Germany June - July 2022
PI: Klaus von Heusinger, Department of Linguistics
Guest in C04 - Conceptual and referential activation in discourse

Language and Cognitive Development Lab, Middle East Technical University, Turkey 2017 - 2019
PI: Duygu Ozge, Department of English Language Teaching

Language and Communication Development Lab, Koc University, Turkey Summer 2016
PI: Aylin Kuntay, Department of Psychology
Summer Undergraduate Research Program (KUSRP)

SUMMER SCHOOLS AND OTHER EDUCATION

Seventh Summer School on Statistical Methods for Linguistics and Psychology, Potsdam, Germany September 2023
Advanced methods in frequentist statistics with Julia

Erasmus Exchange, Keele University, Staffordshire, United Kingdom January-June 2015
TESOL (Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages)

AWARDS AND HONORS

Grants

- Academic Senate General Campus Research Grant, UCSD (\$12000) 2023
- GPSA Travel Award, UCSD (\$300) 2023
- Linguistics Department Travel Award, UCSD (\$750) 2023

Other

- Linguistics Department TA Excellence Award, UCSD 2023

TEACHING

Graduate Teaching Assistant

September 2020 - Present

UC San Diego, California

- LIGN 121: Syntax I (Winter 2024)
- LIGN 101: Introduction to Linguistics (Spring 2021- Fall 2023)
- LIGN 8: Languages and Cultures of America (Fall 2020; Winter 2021)

Language Instructor

2016 - 2020

TOBB University of Economics and Technology, Turkey

- Instructing General English (Preparatory English Program) and English for Academic Purposes (EAP) courses,
- Developing and customizing instructional materials and assessments to cater to diverse learners,
- Establishing a welcoming and engaging classroom atmosphere that fosters language fluency and proficiency.

SKILLS AND INTERESTS

Languages

Turkish (native), English (proficient), Southern Uzbek (fieldwork)

Software/Programs

R/RStudio (advanced modeling, data visualization), Praat, L^AT_EX

Interests

Psycholinguistics, semantics-pragmatics interface, quantitative methods